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For: CORD REEL WITH ELECTRICAL OUTLETS

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Foreign Patent Documents - No., Date, Country

None

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None

The above-mentioned references relate in general to air hose and electrical cord reels.

Additionally, Applicant would like to draw the Examiner's attention to commonly assigned and co-pending application Serial No. 29/191,207 filed on October 2, 2003.

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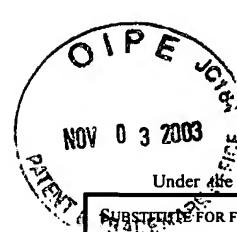
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